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Mary J. Fancher, or "Mollie Fancher," as every one calls her, was a pretty school girl in her seventeenth year when she received the injuries which resulted in a case baffling to physicians and psychologists the world over. Living without food for years and perfectly blind, she accomplished wonders that are vouched for by many reliable men and women.

Miss Fancher is now about 46 years old. For 29 years she has lain on the same side of the same bed in the same room of her home in Brooklyn. It was in 1865 that she met with the accident which resulted in a peculiar spinal trouble quite beyond the skill of the most eminent doctors. Terrible convulsions alternated with periods of rigidity, in which her body was apparently lifeless and perfectly cold, except for a slight warmth about the heart. She has lost all other senses temporarily, but her eyesight has never been restored. For years her throat was so contracted that she was unable to swallow and food was injected artificially. The desire for food disappeared completely, and it is claimed that she did not consume as much as a pound of even liquid nourishment in nine years. For 13 years not a particle of solid food was taken into her stomach. In fact, that organ as well as the intestines shriveled up, and all abdominal functions ceased.

In one of the spasms, which were so frequent at this time, her right arm was brought up over her head. She could raise the left to meet it, and in this cramped position, according to unquestionable authority, she wrote upward of 6,500 letters in a fine, delicate hand, worked up 100,000 ounces of worsted, besides making many pieces of fine embroidery and wax flowers. To the marvel of doing such delicate work in this unnatural position was added the wonder of a sick woman totally blind, according to the testimony of an expert, who could match shades of silk or wool with greater nicety than ordinary people with both eyes sound, tell the contents of sealed letters, describe the movements of friends at a distance or read a book in any part of her room.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph T. Duryea, who was pastor of the Clason Avenue Presbyterian church at that time and saw Miss Fancher frequently, advanced the theory that, owing to her physical condition, her mind or spirit had passed beyond the confines of the body and was governed by laws beyond the comprehension of ordinary mortals. Whether Dr. Duryea's theory was correct or not, it is a curious fact that in proportion as her physical strength returned her abnormal powers weakened.

Miss Fancher has been very much better of late years. Her arms are free, and while what she eats is small, she does eat. She often smiles sadly and says that she thinks she does not know how to die. Unless she is suffering severely the visitor forgets she is an invalid.

From the waist up she has the figure of a beautiful woman. Her arm is exquisitely rounded, her neck and face are plump, and her skin has the soft, transparent freshness of a child. Her curly hair is worn short and frames a face pretty in spite of years of suffering.

She has a strong sense of humor and keenly relishes a joke. Even her intimate friends rarely find her otherwise than bright and cheerful. She never complains and takes a lively interest in what is going on outside. She is especially interested in other "shut-ins," for whom she has suggested numerous appliances which have been patented. She never forgets a visitor. It is hard to believe that she is blind, for she apparently sees and is cognizant of all that is transpiring around her. Even the physicians and oculists, who declare the optic nerves paralyzed, cannot explain her peculiar power.

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NEIGHBORHOOD.

The 800 inmates of the Boy's Industrial School, in Fairfield county, had a big Christmas dinner—140 turkeys and other things in proportion.

On 21st ult., Mrs. Mary Orr was found dead upon the floor in her house, at Washington C. H., having fallen from her chair while sitting at the breakfast table. She was 71 years of age and lived alone.

Charles Lucas (colored) aged 19, employed as dish washer at the Biggs House, in Portsmouth, fell from the fourth floor to the corridor of that house, Monday, 24th ult., while intoxicated and was instantly killed.

Henry S. Beck, Republican member elect of the Nebraska Legislature from Cedar and Pierce counties, was born in Lancaster, O., and resided there until the close of the war. He is President of the First National Bank of Pierce, Neb.

Near Bainbridge, Ross county, 25th ult., Charles W. Brown, died in a few moments, after taking a drink of whisky with some neighbors along the road. It is supposed the liquor overstimulated the action of the heart and caused his death.

On 20th ult., Joseph Bidwell and William Finley, prominent farmers of Union county, attempted to cross the railroad track, at Rickard's crossing, near Plain City, when a Pan-Handle passenger train struck their buggy, killing them instantly. Both were about 60 years of age.

Elmer Waldren, charged with the murder of his uncle, Thomas Waldren in Vinton county, by shooting him with a shotgun, through the window of his house, has been convicted of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to the penitentiary for life. Elmer Waldren, wife of the deceased, who is in jail for complicity in the murder, will be tried at the February term.

The Habitual Criminal Law.

Circleville Democrat.

In the United States Court, in Columbus, on 22d ult., Judge Sage rendered a decision sustaining the constitutionality of the habitual criminal law in Ohio. The case was that of George Blackburn, who set up the claim that his life sentence as a habitual criminal is unconstitutional, on the ground that his previous crimes were committed prior to its enactment, and his continued incarceration compelled him to suffer for offenses previously atoned. The case was originally brought in the Circuit Court, which decided against Blackburn, and then it was transferred to the United States Court and submitted to Judge Sage on brief in June last.

In sustaining the law Judge Sage delivered a long opinion and expressed the hope that the case would be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States for a final decision.

Blackburn is an old and habitual criminal. His first sentence was ten years for safe-blowing. On December 16, 1863, Governor Tod gave him a pardon. In 1866 Blackburn returned to the Penitentiary for ten years for robbing a hermit in Morgan county. He was released May 7, 1873, by order of the Supreme Court on a technicality. Blackburn was not out long, being returned again February 13, 1875, this time for seven years for robbery in Perry county. He escaped December 23, 1876. In 1877 he again donned the stripes, this time on a five year term for a small job in Pike county. He served this sentence and was returned in 1885 for five years for burglary in Fairfield county. After being released Blackburn breathed the air of freedom but a short time. During the night of September 22, 92 the residence of John M. Krinn, near Gibsonsville, Hocking county, was broken into by masked robbers, and in resisting the thieves Mr. Krinn was killed. He was the father of Fred Krinn, of Circleville. Blackburn was arrested as the principal in the commission of the double crime, and while believed guilty of both, was convicted only of robbery and sentenced to ten years imprisonment.

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